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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of	:	
Harald Streicher, Frank Wenzl and	:	
Peter Ostermeier	:	DECISION NOTING JOINDER
Application No. 10/628,169	:	AND PETITION UNDER
Filed: July 28, 2003	:	37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)
Attorney Docket No. DT-6582	:	DISMISSED AS MOOT
Title: RINSING LIQUID TREATMENT	:	
DEVICE	:	

This is in response to the "RENEWED PETITION PURSUANT TO RULE 1.47(a)," filed July 16, 2004.

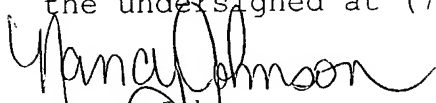
The petition is **DISMISSED AS MOOT**.

The above-identified application was filed on July 28, 2003, with an unexecuted declaration. In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed October 27, 2003, applicants filed the initial petition under § 1.47(a) to accept a declaration without the signature of inventor Wenzl. However, the petition was dismissed for failure to submit adequate proof of the unavailability of inventor Wenzl to join in the application (Decision mailed May 14, 2004).

On instant request for reconsideration, applicants timely replied filing a declaration executed by all of the joint inventors, including previously non-signing inventor Wenzl. This declaration has been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.

In view of the joinder of the joint inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is not necessary and the petition is considered moot. This application does not have any Rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this Office for further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

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